General of Health Services are as under: —

Year	Cholera		A.D.D./G.D.	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
1987	3	..	3642	474
1988	168	4	340153	1201
1989 (upto 15-7-89)	49	..	N.A.	N.A.

Damage, loss and destruction of IAF aircrafts

2602. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will he Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Indian Airforce aircrafts damaged, lost or destroyed during the last Five years;

(b) the total number of lives lost due to these mishaps;

(c) the total monetary losses due to these mishaps; and

(d) what steps are being taken to prevent such damage and loss of lives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) to (c) This type of information is not disclosed in the national security interest.

(d) Preventive action for minimising accidents is a continuous and on-going process. Every accident is investigated by a Court of Inquiry and follow-up action is taken on its' recommendations. Periodical reviews and analysis of accidents are carried out to identify weak areas and initiate remedial action. In case of persistent or serious problems, joint studies are carried out specially with the help of manufacturers to work out solutions.

Contents of Citrus Flavoured Aerated cold drinks

2603. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Citrus-Flavoured Aerated cold drinks contain Carcinogenic Brominated vegetable oil;

(b) whether it is a fact that the World Health Organisation has warned against the use of this ingredient;

(c) whether it is also a fact that most of the other countries have banned this oil, which is unsafe for food items; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to prevent use of this unsafe oil in food products in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI (RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) to (d) Bromiuated Vegetable Oils are generally added to citrus flavoured cold drinks. Food and Agricultural Organisation Nutrition meeting report series No. 48A WHO|FOOD|ADD|7039 have recommended long term studies on this chemical to establish its adverse effect.

According to the information available with this Ministry, the Government of Canada, U.S.A. and Australia permit use of Brominated Vegetable Oil and the Government of Japan, United Kingdom and West Germany have prohibited its use.